STRANGE STORIES FROM THE BEAT

>>> Batman identified, arraigned



Police received a report of a man on the roof of a downtown business. Additional information supplied by central dispatch included the fact that the man was dressed as Batman.

Officers detained the man and

located a baton-type striking weapon, a can of chemical irritant spray and a pair of Sap sand filled gloves, according to the release. The suspect was arrested for trespassing and possession of dangerous weapons.

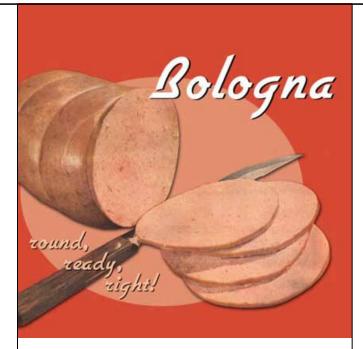
Woman Arrested **K** for Driving While Shaving

The Florida Highway Patrol said a woman was driving while shaving her bikini area.

Her ex-husband was actually doing the steering from the passenger seat.

Patrol officers said the woman also was driving with a suspended license, just one day after she was convicted of driving under the influence.

The trooper explained, "She said she was meeting her boyfriend in Key West and wanted to be ready for the visit."



Border agents make bologna bust at N.M. crossing

It wasn't drugs or human trafficking, but illegal bologna, that caught the attention of border agents at a New Mexico port of entry.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers at Santa Teresa seized 385 pounds of the Mexican contraband meat from behind the seat of a pickup that stopped at the port.

It's illegal to bring the bologna across the border because it's made of pork and has the potential to introduce foreign animal diseases into the U.S. pork industry.

Usually officers see one or two rolls of bologna — not 35 as in this case. Officials say it was the largest bologna bust ever recorded at the Santa Teresa crossing.

Man kept **«** alligator to woo women

A suburban Chicago man thought he had the perfect chick magnet in his pet alligator. Authorities only saw a dangerous animal.

A charge of possession of a dangerous animal was filed against a man who claims he kept the 4-foot alligator to impress women.

Animal control investigators did not say how they learned of the alligator, which they found in the man's kitchen.



People Using New **K**Fountain as Toilet

Officials in New London, Conn., turned off the water at the city's new waterfront fountain, because people have been using it as a toilet.

The fountain features a sculpture of a whale's tail with water spilling over it, which visitors are



encouraged to run through.

Since the fountain opened, police have responded to calls of people urinating, defecating and showering in the fountain water. Some people who had cut themselves had also used the fountain to rinse off blood.

